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Honorable Kyle Self  
Greenville Rancheria  
P.O. Box 279  
Greenville, CA 95947

Dear Honorable Self,

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CC: Elijah Fisher



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Honorable Deana Bovee  
Susanville Indian Rancheria  
745 Joaquin Street  
Susanville, CA 96130

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CC: Arnold Tripel, Melany Johnson, William Johnson



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Honorable Serrel Smokey  
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California  
919 U.S. 395 South  
Gardnerville, NV 89410

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara Draly".

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CC: Darrel Cruz



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Honorable Ben Cunningham  
Maidu Summit Consortium  
P.O. Box 682  
Chester, CA 96020

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Vivian Hansen  
1021 Bucks Lake Road  
Quincy, CA 95971

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Dana Galloway  
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Quincy, CA 95971

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Armon Isaiah Batiste  
2971 Brookstone Way  
Sacramento, CA 95833

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